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ELECTION

Applicant elects Group I (Claims 1-13) with traverse. The grounds for traversal are set forth in the Remarks below.

REMARKS

As a preliminary matter, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the specification as a result of a mistranslation error, where “kallikrein-protease” should have been “kallikrein production”, and the amended paragraphs have been amended to correct grammar errors. No new matter has been added.

The Examiner has restricted the claims between Group I (claims 1-13) drawn to a composition and Group II (claims 14-15) drawn to a method for making a drug or food, because Groups I and II did not relate to a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1 and lacked the same or corresponding special technical features that contributed over the prior art under PCT Rule 13.2.

Claim 13 has been cancelled and features thereof incorporated into Claim 1 as amended; claim 1 now recites --a kallikrein production inhibition activity--. The Amendment narrows the independent claim 1 and all its depending claims by unifying them to a special technical feature of the invention. The claims involve a technical relationship with one or

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more of the same or corresponding special technical features, and therefore, comply with PCT Rule 13.2.

Claims 14 and 15 have also been amended to be in proper form for an invention drawn to a composition. All 14 claims now recite a single general inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1. For the above reasons, Applicant respectfully requests that the Restriction Requirement be withdrawn and that all of the claims be examined together in the above-identified application.

Applicant respectfully submits that all of the issues raised in the March 5, 2007 restriction have been addressed. In the event there are additional issues which may be resolved by telephone, the Examiner is asked to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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